



**Registration in terms of section 85 of the Merchant Shipping Act  
of companies wishing to own or operate exempted ships**

*MSD Notice 32*

*Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators and Managers,  
and Owners' representatives*

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In order to streamline the system of registration in terms of section 85 of the Merchant Shipping Act of companies wishing to own or operate exempted ships the Directorate recommends adoption of the following procedure with effect from 1st April 1999 —

- the written request for the registration of a company should be submitted in the format of the sample letter as per Annex A to this Notice;
- the request letter duly addressed to the Minister of Finance through the Registrar of Ships should be forwarded directly to this Directorate;
- on confirmation of the accuracy of the details submitted the Registrar will endorse the request and forward it directly to Minister of Finance;
- on registration of the company the Ministry of Finance will inform the applicant, the Commissioner of Inland Revenue and the Registrar of Ships accordingly.

Copy of this letter in electronic format can be sent by E-Mail on request.

Merchant Shipping Directorate  
Valletta

10 March 1999

**ANNEX A**

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28 February 1998

Minister of Finance  
thro' Registrar of Ships

*Name of Ship:* ABCXYZ  
*Official No:* 0000  
*Net Tonnage:* 3566  
*Registered Sole Owners:* XXX Co Ltd  
1 Main Street  
Valletta  
  
*Date of registration in the  
name of present owners:* 5 March 1998

I hereby confirm that -

- a) the vessel is engaged in the carriage of goods or passengers;
- b) that the relative registration fees have been paid;
- c) action is being taken to finalise permanent registration.

I should be grateful for your confirmation that the owners have been registered in terms of Section 85 of Merchant Shipping Act and if you would inform the Commissioner of Inland Revenue and the Registrar of Ships accordingly.

Yours faithfully

J Borg  
on behalf of  
XXXXXXXXXX Co Ltd

*Letter should be sent to  
Registrar of Ships who,  
if the information is correct  
will endorse it and forward it  
to Ministry of Finance.*